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Hongkong, November 27, 1905.

Intimations.

HONGKONG REGATTA.
SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.
(Under the Patronage of
H.E. the Governor.)

THE COMMITTEE REQUEST the
PLEASURE of the PRESENCE
of the LADIES of HONGKONG, on the
Flagship and Promenade at Aberdeen on
SATURDAY, the 9th December.

By kind permission of the Hongkong
and Whampoa Dock Company, the Flag-
ship will be moored alongside the Ab-
erdeen Docks, where the lawn will be avail-
able as a promenade.

Tiffin, at \$2 per head, will be provided
by the Occidental Hotel in the matched on
shore, where refreshments may also be
obtained. Afternoon tea will be served
on the lawn.

The Flagship *SAIN CHEUNG* will leave
her Wharf at Wing Lok Street for Ab-
erdeen at 10 a.m. and return after the last
race. Spectators may travel either way on
the flagship. By courtesy of the Dock
Company the "EDITH" will leave Blake
Pier at 11.30 a.m. and 1.30 p.m. to convey
visitors to the regatta; returning after the
last race.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel H.
G. FITTON, D.S.O., and Officers, the
Band of the Royal West Kent Regiment
will perform during the Regatta.

The first race will be started at 11.30
a.m.

TICKETS of Admission to flagship and
enclosure at \$1 each may be obtained
at the Flagship; from Messrs. KARRE &
WALSH; or from A. B. ROUSE, Esq.,
Hon. Pres., Hongkong Regatta, (of Union
Insurance Society of London, Ltd.)

R. W. WARKE,
Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Regatta,
Hongkong, December 7, 1905.

REGATTA HOLIDAY.

IN accordance with Government Noti-
cation No. 804 the EXCHANGE
BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transac-
tion of Public Business on SATURDAY,
the 9th instant.

Hongkong, December 5, 1905.

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION
OF HONGKONG.

REGATTA HOLIDAY.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that FIRE
INSURANCE OFFICES will be
CLOSED for the Transaction of Public
Business on SATURDAY, the 9th
instant.

By order, A. R. LOWE,
Secretary,
Hongkong, December 6, 1905.

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THE
DAIRY FARM CO., LTD.

FINEST AUSTRALIAN
BUTTER

70 Cents per lb.

SECOND QUALITY (Very Good)
60 Cents per lb.

Hongkong, October 9, 1905.

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15, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, November 20, 1905.

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Business Notices.

W. S. BAILEY & CO.
ENGINEERS & SHIPBUILDERS.

WORKS :
KOWLOON BAY.
OFFICES & STORES :
NO. 20, CONNAUGHT ROAD.

**HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO
AND WEST RIVER STEAMERS.**

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND
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Departures from Hongkong daily at 8.30 a.m. (Sunday excepted), 9 p.m.

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(Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the Rivers. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

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6.6. HEUNGSHAN, 1,988 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 2 p.m.
Departures on Sundays at Noon. Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 a.m.

Canton-Macao Line.

6.6. LUNGSHAN, 219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 a.m.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7.30 a.m.

Joint Service of the H.K. & C. MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE Indo-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

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6.6. SANAM, 588 tons, Captain W. A. Valentine.
6.6. NANNING, 569 tons, Captain C. Butcher.

One of the above Steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 8 a.m., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 a.m. Round trips take about five days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

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Hongkong, September 21, 1905.

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Plum Puddings, Mincemeat.

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Hongkong, November 3, 1905.

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A. F. DAVIES, Acting Manager.

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Hongkong, September 6, 1905.

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FRESH WATER can also be obtained at the Wharf.

Steamers of any draft can be berthed.

EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.,
FOR AGENTS.

Hongkong, September 16, 1905.

Intimations.

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CABLE ADDRESS: IWASAKI,
which applies to all Branch Offices and
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SOLE PROPRIETORS of Takashima, Ochi, Shinmei, Namazuka and Kamiyama Collieries, and also Hojo Colliery which will shortly be ready to produce on a large scale the best Bitzen Coal.

Sole Agents for Kiryu, Komatsu (Tagawa) and Yashimochi Coal (Karako).

The Head and Branch Offices and the Agents of the Company will receive any order for Coals produced from the above Collieries.

Coal sold in 1904 by the Company amounted to £520,000 tons.

A married couple will be treated as one guest. No Englishman or Welshman resident in the Colony is eligible to be asked as a guest.

C. E. H. BEAVIS,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, November 24, 1905.

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SOCIETY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

THE COMMITTEE of the last AL FRESCO FETE held on the 12th instant in the compound of the ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL beg to tender their heartfelt thanks to the Ladies and Gentlemen who so kindly contributed with their valuable assistance towards the success of the Bazaar. Their best thanks are also due to the Press, to Lieut. Col. A. G. FRIZON, D. S. O. and Officers of the 2nd Batt. (Queen's Own) Royal West Kent Regiment for their fine Band, Mr. F. DANEMERIK for the gift of the Aerated Waters, and the public in general for their very liberal and highly appreciated patronage. The Bazaar realized after paying all expenses £2,800.

Hongkong, November 21, 1905.

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PICTURES I PICTURES II

MR. K. IWASE, OF YOKOHAMA.

BEGS to inform the Residents of Hongkong that he has arrived in the City with a Large and Varied Assortment of WATER COLOUR PAINTINGS by Well-known Japanese Artists, consisting of LANDSCAPE, SEASCAPE, FLOWERS, FIGURES, etc., etc. The same will be on exhibition with fixed Prices attached at WATKINS & CO., (First Floor), 31, Queen's Road Central, for ten days commencing on 1st December, and continuing until December 10.

PICTURES IN EVERY SIZE, FRAMED AND UNFRAMED.

A good opportunity to purchase beautiful studies at VERY LOW PRICES. All are cordially invited to inspect the collection.

Hongkong, November 29, 1905.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

A Large Assortment of JAPANESE HAND-PAINTED CHRISTMAS CARDS and FINE ART. PRINTED NOVEL ALMANACS and many other CURIOS, very suitable to present for Christmas and New Year's Greetings to friends at home, have just been received.

I. NAKAZAWA,
No. 7, D'Aguilar Street.

Hongkong, October 26, 1905.

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For Prospects, Terms, etc., apply to HUGH KIRKHOPE, M.A., Headmaster.

Hongkong, November 27, 1905.

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To be had in air-tight tins to preserve its freshness and good flavour.

Special Rates to Hotels, Clubs, Boarding houses, Messes and wholesale dealers.

J. RUTTONJIKE,
Sole Agents for China.

Hongkong, December 7, 1905.

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Intimations.

**SANITARY BOARD OFFICE,
HONGKONG.**

TO THE OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the DOMESTIC CLEANLINESS and VENTILATION BY-LAWS (as amended), every Domestic Building or part of such building within the Western Division of the City of Victoria occupied by Member of more than one family must be CLEANSED and LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the Owner during the months of November and December.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this notice means that the houses should be Limewashed in respect of all the Walls of each Room and Staircase—all cubic partitions—Stair Casings and Stair Linings, all Ceilings and the Undersides of Roofs, both in Main Buildings, Offices and Servants' Quarters and inclusive of Verandas.

The Backyard should have its Containing Walls Limewashed up to the level of the First Floor.

Carved, Painted or Polished Woodwork in good condition, however, need not be Limewashed—but must be Cleaned.

The Western Division of the City lies to the West of Tank Lane and Cleverley Street.

G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1905.

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ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

IT is proposed to hold a ST. GEORGE'S BALL on 10th JANUARY Next, if sufficient subscribers can be obtained. The subscription will not exceed 25s.

All Englishmen and Welshmen desirous of joining are requested to send their names to P. P. V. WENGERZ, Esq., Central Police Station, Honorary Secretary of the Invitation Committee, or to sign the lists which will be posted at the Hongkong Club, The United Service Club, Kowloon, Messrs Kelly and Walsh, Limited, Messrs A. S. Watson and Company, Limited, in Hongkong and Kowloon, Messrs Lane, Crawford and Company, and Messrs Brower and Company, within two weeks from the date of this notice. One subscription will admit the subscriber and his family and one guest. A married couple will be treated as one guest. No Englishman or Welshman resident in the Colony is eligible to be asked as a guest.

C. E. H. BEAVIS,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, November 24, 1905.

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SOCIETY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

NO. 14, BEACONSFIELD ARCADE.

WE beg to notify the Public generally of Hongkong that we have just OPENED a First-class Tenor Hall at the above address. We make Cleanliness a Specialty.

VICENTE BARCENILLA, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 10, 1905.

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NIPPON LAUNDRY.

NO. 52 AND 53, PRAYA EAST.

ALL Work done in this Establishment is promptly executed. Neatness & Speciality. Ironing and Washing done by experienced Janitors. PAYABLE MONTHLY.

G. MONYE, Proprietor.

Hongkong, February 13, 1905.

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TELEPHONE, 232.

Hongkong, March 14, 1905.

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FOR SALE.

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NO. 4 KODAK (Plate) CAMERA, WIN-

HING" Competition.

On View at LONG HING & CO.,

Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, November 27, 1905.

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TO LET.

WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

the FOREST LODGE, Caine Road.

Apply to H. N. MODY.

Hongkong, May 8, 1905.

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TO LET.

NO. 3, GRANVILLE AVENUE.

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Apply to HUMPHREYS' ESTATE &

FINANCE CO., LTD.

Hongkong, June 20, 1905.

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TO LET.

NO. 5, PEDDER STREET under Hong-

Kong Hotel. Rental very reasonable,

on application to N. LAZARUS.

Hongkong, November 30, 1905.

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TO LET.

NO. 10 & 12, KNUTSFORD TER-

ROAD, KOWLOON.

Apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

Hongkong, December 1, 1905.

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TO LET.

GODOWN NO. 3, NEW PRAYA, Kon-

gny Town.

BERI-BERI.

The Cause of the Disease.

Dr. G. Hone, who, as an official in Sarawak, has had ample opportunities for studying the disease known as beri-beri, is now conducting a series of experiments at Cambridge, (says the Standard, November 7), with a view to obtaining conclusive evidence in support of his theory that diet is the determining cause. This theory was advanced by him in 1901, in a paper published in the Medical Review when he stated his conviction that the principal cause of beri-beri in Borneo was the consumption of mouldy rice. Subsequent inquiries have strengthened this conviction, and, in a paper communicated to us, Dr. Hone says:—

"Microscopic examination satisfied me of the existence of a minute fungoid growth on rice of this description. Having, as I believed, found a possible cause for the disease, I proceeded to make further investigations. Thirty-nine male Dyaks who had contracted beri-beri during their expeditions in the jungle, where they had been living on bazaar rice, were placed in villages where none but freshly husked rice was used. Of the thirty-nine men, thirty-three recovered and six died. On the other hand, of one hundred and twenty Dyaks who had contracted the disease under similar conditions, and continued to live after their return to the coast on imported rice, forty-seven died."

"Having made out what I believed to be a prima facie case against mouldy rice, I tried the experiment of feeding three monkeys (*Macacus nemestrinus*) on bazaar rice. One of the monkeys exhibited no special symptoms, but the other two developed some of the characteristic nervous symptoms of beri-beri, and in particular showed a decided lack of energy, which is one of the principal symptoms of the disease. But, in none of the animals did the usual oedema in the lower parts of the legs occur."

"My investigations were then extended to fowls, and in these weakness, and parasitic symptoms were produced, indistinguishable, so far as I could see, from the symptoms of beri-beri. Specimens of the subjects of these experiments and of the rice have been sent to Cambridge, where I am pursuing my investigations."

I wish to make it quite clear that the foregoing remarks have not been made with a view to denying the existence of a bacillus, such as that to which, in Dr. Hamilton Wright's opinion, beri-beri may owe its origin. I do not at this moment feel competent to express an opinion upon this part of the subject. But, once more, I am concerned to insist upon the importance of the diet-factor. Otherwise I see no reason why my results should not be compatible with the existence of a bacillus, and so in accord with some of Dr. Wright's conclusions."

"I attach grave suspicion to the practicality of constant presence in mouldy rice of a certain small weevil (*Catandra oliva*), although I am not at present prepared to explain the exact part played by this insect. The marked difference as regards resistance to damp and the attacks of moulds, and of the weevil, exhibited by rice from various countries, seem to me very suggestive. Thus Rangoon rice is notorious for being quickly attacked by both foes, and Rangoon rice is now discarded both in the Kuching (Sarawak) prisons, as also by the Chinese, who employ coconuts to the number of several thousands on the pepper-growing estates. I have a strong impression that the incidence of beri-beri is distinctly heavier in those tropical or sub-tropical countries which import rice than in those which supply sufficient on the spot to meet all local demands. Naturally, the opportunity for deterioration in transport is greater when rice is imported from a distance."

"The preceding remarks refer principally to rice and the mould which attacks it; but I have observed apparently identical fungoid or mould-like growths upon maize, sago-flour, and even on dried fish, so that any of these articles of diet might convey the disease. In my opinion, danger from rice or other staples must be apprehended only when the generalization has commenced and the mould has made its appearance. These conditions are favoured by the dampness of the atmosphere in Sarawak. Lastly, I have noticed that the weevil referred to above will attack imported English wheat-flour in Borneo."

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You can't conquer the climate—if your struggle is unaided you will lose.

A gallant fight may keep you on your feet awhile—but sooner or later you must succumb. There's help for you in



Hall's Coca Wine

The surest and safest preventive of malarial diseases, physical exhaustion and breakdown. Thousands of doctors depend upon it—why not you? Stores and chemists everywhere supply it. In large and small bottles. Look for the red keystone trademark.

Hall's Coca Wine is the most marvellous restorative known to medical science—pure, potent, palatable.

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Cases 8 Dozen Pint bottles or Contain 4 Quart Bottles.

CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE SOLE AGENTS

THE MUTUAL STORES,
DES VIEUX ROAD.

Hongkong, October 9, 1905.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Military Authorities, to Sell by Public Auction,

MONDAY,
the 11th December, 1905, at 11 A.M., at
KING'S PARK, HKOWLOON.

3 COMMERCIAL IRON BUILDINGS,
THE MASTERS, now BUILDING,
A QUANTITY OF
BARBED WIRE.

THE REMNANTS OF FURNITURE,
etc.,
etc.,
lately used by the Russian Interned
Sailors.

TERMS:—As usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, December 5, 1905. 2249

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on

MONDAY, the 11th day of December, 1905, at 3 p.m., on the Sites by

Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Eight Lots of CROWN LAND at

Kau Fung in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 76 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His

Majesty the King, for one further term of 76 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

No.	Description	Boundary Measurements	Conditions	Estimate	Particulars of the Lot.	
					N.W.	S.E.
1	Inland	Ran. 45 ft. 14 in. S. 82 ft. 13 in. E. 150 ft. 6 in.	150 ft. 6 in.	9,051	1 ft.	1 ft.
1 Lot No. 1277.	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	23,041		
3 Do. 1748	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	1 ft.		
3 Do. 1749	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	18,404		
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5 Do. 1751	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	18,510		
6 Do. 1752	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	17,310		
7 Do. 1753	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	17,310		
8 Do. 1754	Do.	ft. 1 ft. 1 ft. 1 ft.	1 ft.	21,442		

2236 BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

MESSRS HUGHES & HOUGH have been instructed to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION

MONDAY,

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Hongkong, December 5, 1905. 2258

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Ladies Afternoon Tea Rooms.
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Hot and Cold Water throughout.

Electrically Lit.

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MANAGER,

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A High-class Tourist's Hotel under American Management. First-class Dining-Rooms.

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Hongkong, July 13, 1905. 2249

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station

Name	Class	Tons	Guns	I.H.P.	Captain	Last reported
Admiralty	despatch-vessel	1730	12	3000	Comdr. Richard M. Harbord	Hongkong
Antares	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	16	16,600	Capt. R. N. Ummaney	Hongkong
Bonaventure	torpedo boat destroyer	550	8	7000	Lt.-Comdr. R. H. Reinke-Heaton	Fukienma
Odyssey	cruiser, 2nd class	4350	10	9000	Captain L. G. Tuftell	Yokohama
Olorub	cruiser, 2nd class	4350	10	7000	Capt. H. T. Tolless	Hongkong
Olio	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Luard	Tangier
Orion	water tank and tug	380	—	—	Comdr. H. D. Wilkin, D.S.C.	Hongkong
Pandem	torpedo-boat destroyer	1020	8	1400	Lt.-Comdr. H. E. Sullivan, R.N.	Hongkong
Eric	cruiser, 1st class	11,000	18	16,600	Capt. H. W. Savory, R.N.	Hongkong
Extrich	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	8	7000	Lieut.-Comdr. R. H. Fisher	Hongkong
Exmoor	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	8	7000	Lieut.-Comdr. Lewin	Hongkong
Flame	torpedo-boat destroyer	520	8	5700	Lieut.-Comdr. Stevenson	Hongkong
Flaxy	torpedo-boat destroyer	275	8	4300	Lieut.-Comdr. J. May	Hongkong
Hest	torpedo-boat destroyer	275	8	4300	Lieut.-Comdr. L. Richards	Hongkong
Hoola	Special Torpedo-vessel	6400	—	2400	Capt. P. F. B. Charlton	Hongkong
Hogna	cruiser, 1st class	19,000	14	21,000	Captain W. B. Blackmore	China
Hopkins	cruiser, 2nd class	3600	8	9000	Captain W. B. Blackmore	China
Ichen	torpedo-boat destroyer	550	8	9000	Lieut.-Comdr. W. C. Seymour	Hongkong
Janus	river gunboat	280	6	3200	Lieut.-Comdr. W. E. Darwall	Yangtze
Moerben	river gunboat	616	2	800	La. Comdr. E. V. R. Dugmore	West River
Oster	river gunboat	150	2	800	La. Comdr. F. B. Noble	Hongkong
Rambler	Surveying-vessel	350	6	8300	Lieut.-Comdr. F. J. Kiddie	Surveying
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	La. Comdr. C. E. Moura	

BY TELEGRAPH.

RETURN OF THE VICTORS.

FIELD MARSHALL OYAMA
IN TOKIO.

Enthusiastic Welcome.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, December 8.

Field Marshal Oyama, Commander-in-Chief of the Manchurian Armies, General Kodama, Chief of Staff, and suite arrived at Tokio from the front on December 7.

They were enthusiastically welcomed on their arrival.

[General Kuroki is due at Tokio to-day.—Ed., O.M.]

[REUTER'S SERVICE]

ACCIDENT AT CHARING CROSS.

Station Roof Collapses.

LONDON, December 6.

A portion of the roof of Charing Cross railway station collapsed yesterday, the girder falling on trains, smashing cars, and demolishing the roof of the Avenue theatre.

Several persons were killed and thirty injured.

UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

President Roosevelt's Speech.

The Boycott.

At the opening of the United States Congress, President Roosevelt in his message, says that the enormous power of trusts must be necessary.

Though right economy was necessary, it would be a national crime to cut down the navy, or delay the work on the Panama Canal.

The main cause of the boycott in China had been the resentment of Chinese students and merchants at the harshness of the American law towards the educated Chinese.

These classes should be encouraged to come to America and be treated on exactly the same footing as other foreigners of a similar class, only Chinese labour being excluded.

President Roosevelt cordially sympathised with Japan's announced purpose to stand for the integrity of China, as such an attitude tended towards the peace of the world.

BRITISH NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

To Take Place of Portugal.

The Channel, Atlantic, and Mediterranean fleets, with three squadrons of armoured cruisers, will assemble at Lagos (Portugal) in the middle of February for combined exercises.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

A Statement Withdrawn.

The report of the interview between Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman and the Duke of Devonshire is not true.

It appears to have arisen from a case of mistaken identity.

ADMIRAL SIR JOHN FISHER.

Admiral Sir John Fisher has been promoted to Admiral of the fleet.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

The General's Comments.

The following documents by H. E. the General Officer Commanding on the Commandant's report on the annual camp of 1905 have been published by the Commandant of the Corps:

This is a satisfactory report, for it shows progress all round and the attainment of greater proficiency. The good attendance is the outward and visible sign of the determination of all ranks to improve themselves.

The Commandant has great pleasure in publishing the above comments by H. E. the G. O. C.

The actual average daily attendance in camp was better than in any previous year, the spite of the fact that the period extended over 16 days instead of 10.

The Commandant was also able to report that the discipline was excellent, and that there was a marked improvement in the drills; the gun drills were carried out with far greater rapidity, and the Engineers Company carried out their duties in a very efficient manner, in addition to their very useful work in lighting the camp.

The Officers of the Corps gave an excellent example to the men and their average attendance daily was 19 out of 13. It is hoped that this same average will be arrived at by all rank and file.

The Commandant would like to take this opportunity to remind all members of the Corps that there is still room for a large number of recruits to complete the establishment. These should be as difficult to get into as the rest of the Corps.

Mr. Moir (Manager of the Peak Hotel)—May I ask a question? Your Worship?

Mr. Hazlwood—No, I am afraid not. You can suggest any questions to your Worship.

Mr. Moir—Were there any complaints from the captain of the "Rubi"?

Sergeant Wills—No.

Inspector Langley—There have been complaints from this steamer's company.

Mr. Moir—The Inspector says the steamer was made fast by her ship rope and that the gangway was down.

Mr. Hazlwood—If I inflict a penalty it will be very small and I will instruct the defendants what they must do in future.

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Mr. Hazlwood—(to the defendant)—Although you are convicted I will not inflict a penalty. In future you must not go alongside of any steamer until she is properly moored, and that means tied up by her cables. In this case you were discharged with a caution which you must understand that if you come before me again for a similar offence I will inflict a penalty.

Three Chinese boarding-house runners who were caught climbing up the side of a large drill hall, silvery room, and reading room of the men's mess on an offence were sentenced to three months' gaol.

THE BOYCOTT.

CONFERENCE ABANDONED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 8.

On December 6 an extraordinary meeting of the Canton Branch of the Boycott Association was held, at which members of all sub-branches of the Association in the interior were represented. Representatives from Hongkong and Macao were also present. The order of the day was to decide whether it would be advisable to further discuss matters with the American merchants. General Kodama, Chief of Staff, and suite arrived at Tokio from the front on December 7.

They were enthusiastically welcomed on their arrival.

[General Kuroki is due at Tokio to-day.—Ed., O.M.]

A CHINESE PROTEST.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.") Sir,—I have read an American's letter in your issue of last night in which he said that China is not fit to be treated as a civilised nation and I can assure your correspondent that he, after what he has said, is not fit to be treated as a civilised man, nor can his remarks be accepted as anything civilised.—Yours, etc.,

A CHINIAN.

Hongkong, Dec. 8.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

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TONS	TONS	Saturday,	MAR.	MAR.	
ARCADIA.....7000	Feb. 10	BREITANNIA.....7000	Saturday, Mar. 10	MAR.	
DONGOLA.....8000	Feb. 24	MOLDAVIA.....10000	Mar. 21	APR.	
DELHI.....8000	Mar. 10	MONGOLIA.....10000	April 7	APR.	
DEUTA.....8000	Mar. 24	MOLDOVAN.....10000	April 21	APR.	
OCEANA.....7000	April 7	MARMORA.....10000	May 5	MAY	
ARCADIA.....7000	April 21	VICTORIA.....7000	Sunday, May 20	MAY	
DEVANHA.....8000	May 5	HIMALAYA.....7000	June 3	JUNE	
DONGOLA.....8000	May 19	INDIA.....8000	June 17	JUNE	

Passenger change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

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These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marsella.

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Hongkong, December 1, 1905.

ROYALTY IN INDIA.

Interesting Functions.

BOMBAY, November 18.—On Friday morning the Prince and Princess of Wales at Indore were early abroad and, before breakfast, inspected the Bhopal Imperial Service Lancers, and presented colours to the First Battalion, York and Lancashire Regiment. The Lancers acquitted themselves splendidly and the Prince warmly congratulated them on their appearance. The presentation of colours to the British regiment was remarkable from the fact that the Prince of Wales presented colours to the other battalion of the regiment while serving in the navy fifteen years ago at Barbados.

Some State visits took place after breakfast, and, later, the final function of the Indore visit, at which the Prince of Wales opened the King Edward Hall, a fine place built by the Indore Durbar in commemoration of the ascension of the King-Emperor to the throne.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Hongkong, December 4, 1905. 2237

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP DUNDAS.

FROM JAVA.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

All Work done in this Establishment is guaranteed. We have 32 years' experience. Our Dry Docks are next to Cosmopolitan Docks (Sam Sui Po) and can accommodate any craft of 160 feet long.

We have at present 4 new fast Steam Launches for Sale.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
Agents.

Hongkong, December 6, 1905. 2231

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

The Co.'s Steamship Polacette, having arrived at the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 5 P.M. SUNDAY, the 3rd December, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

Before delivery can be made an Average Bond must be signed by Consignees at this Office.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.
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Hongkong, February 25, 1905. 396

KANG ON & CO.

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CONTRACTORS TO H. B. M.'S GOVERNMENT, ADMIRALTY AND WAR DEPARTMENT.

We keep always on hand the largest supply of Building Materials at Cheapest Prices. We Do Competition.

Hongkong, March 10, 1905. 512

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4, Queen's Road.

Interest allowed on Current Account.

Deposits received on terms which may be least on application.

S. SHIGENAGA,
Manager.

Hongkong, February 2, 1905. 218

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

S. YEN-CHUNG.

On Tuesdays, Captain J. McGinnis, will leave for Canton at 9 P.M. on SUNDAYS,

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At Hongkong, every day, Wharf

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First-class Fare \$3.00 per Way. Second-

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Carry, freight very moderate.

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Hongkong, April 1, 1905. 700

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CONTRACTOR TO THE War Department,

etc., etc. Every Order promptly attended to. 1st Class Testimonials. Communications please address to Mr. T. Keng.

Hongkong, March 22, 1905. 611

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TOTAL Funds at 31st DECEMBER, 1904.

\$17,161,293.99.

I—Authorized Capital \$2,000,000.

Subscribed Capital \$756,000.

Paid-in Capital \$387,600.00

II—Fire Funds \$3,001,268.12

III—Life & Annuity Funds \$13,472,532.70

\$17,161,293.99

Fire Branch... 2,056,713.18

Life & Annuity... 1,693,216.34

Branches... 2,300,000.00

\$3,693,229.50

The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and Life Departments are free from liability in respect of each other.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, June 29, 1905. 1537

FIREMAN'S FUND INSURANCE CO. OF SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA.

STATEMENT TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.

ASSETS, GOLD... \$5,858,620.37

NET SURPLUS, GOLD... \$2,156,118.50

INCOME, GOLD... \$3,470,787.63

\$11,485,426.40

FIRE BRANCH.

SHIP AND HOUSE PAINTER,

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